EXHIBIT A

1	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2	DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS
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4	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) Plaintiff)
5	vs.) No. 1-19-CR-10080
6	GAMAL ABDELAZIZ, MARCI)
7	PALATELLA, and JOHN WILSON,) Defendants.)
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11	BEFORE THE HONORABLE NATHANIEL M. GORTON UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
12	PRETRIAL CONFERENCE
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15	John Joseph Moakley United States Courthouse
16	Courtroom No. 4 One Courthouse Way
17	Boston, Massachusetts 02210
18	August 18, 2021 11:00 a.m.
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1 public to be in the courtroom, but there will be satellite courtrooms both for extra counsel, paralegals, family members, 2 whatever. Counsel can make proposals to me about that if they 3 wish. I think that's where we're headed, roughly 50 people in 5 the courtroom. Any comments on that? 6 MR. FRANK: Your Honor, I think your Honor said three 7 prosecutors at the table. There are actually four on the case. We can either squeeze or perhaps somebody can sit in the back. 9 THE COURT: I think somebody would be able to sit in 12:16 10 the back. Prosecutors have three. Each defendant has two 11 counsel plus the defendant. So there are going to be three 12 people at each of the tables. That's 12. 13 MR. FRANK: And paralegals. 14 THE COURT: Paralegals may have to be in the satellite courtroom. You make a proposal to me as to how you feel the 15 gallery ought to be handled and I'll consider it. 16 MR. FRANK: Typically, there's a paralegal operating 17 the trial director. 18 19 THE COURT: Consult with one another. If you can unanimously come to me with a proposal, I will give it serious 12:16 20 21 consideration. Mr. Kelly? 22 MR. KELLY: We'll do that. We'll talk to the government and see if we can't get an agreeable proposal. 23 24 MR. KENDALL: Your Honor, the one thing I think is 25 related to this, the government listed a large number of agents

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that it wanted to have present in the courtroom. We move to
sequester all of the witnesses. I believe it's standard
practice for the summary IRS revenue agent to be able to be in
the courtroom because he's got to summarize the testimony.
myself, may have a summary fact witness that's comparable.
They can be in the satellite courtroom, otherwise we would move
to have everybody sequestered.
         THE COURT: The government has filed a motion to
unsequester the case agents. Enlighten me again, Mr. Frank, as
to who you have asked to not be sequestered.
         MR. FRANK: Case agent, revenue agent, summary
witnesses.
         THE COURT: How many people is that?
         MR. FRANK: Five people.
         MR. KENDALL: We object. Particularly the case agent,
Miss Keeting, is a particular witness, particularly if
Mr. Singer is not testifying.
         THE COURT: Are they going to be witnesses?
         MR. FRANK: One case agent may be a witness, your
Honor, yes.
         THE COURT: Usually, prior to the testimony, the case
agent is sequestered, but after the testimony they are not.
Why don't you see if you can work out an agreement with counsel
on that one.
         MR. KENDALL: It sounds unlikely, but we will try.
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